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STATE TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURY ADVISORY BOARD (STBIAB)
MEETING MINUTES
DATE: September 8, 2020

Present: Rita Manriquez, William Rodrigues, Wayne Parsons, Lisa Dau,
Brendalee Ana, Dorothy Ali'ilua

Absent: Kawena Young, Stephanie Yee

Excused:

Others: Dr. Violet Horvath, Pacific Disabilities Center (PDC); Dr.
Allison Tsuchida, UH-College of Education-Hawaii
Concussion Awareness Management Program; Scott Sagum,
Neurotrauma Advisory Board (NTAB); Valerie Yamada,
NTAB; Nicholas Schumann, Queen's Medical Center (QMC)

DOH Staff: Chelsea Ko, Neurotrauma Supports; Michele Tong,
Neurotrauma Supports; Christel Magallanes, Neurotrauma
Supports

I. **Call to Order** – Meeting was called to order at 1:41 pm by Chair William Rodrigues. Quorum present.

II. **Approval of Minutes from the July 14, 2020 meeting** – Board Member Dorothy Ali'ilua motioned to accept the minutes as written. Board Member Rita Manriquez seconded the motion. All Board Members present voted in favor of minutes being accepted as written. No questions or discussions.

III. **Review of Agenda** – All Board Members present voted in favor of accepting the agenda. No questions or discussions.

IV. New Business:

A. None

V. Old Business:

A. Project Head, Neck, Spine (HNS) Update:

New data showed an increase in students using the online curriculum over the summer. Numbers showed 117 students and 2 high schools participating, with 69% having completed the curriculum and 79% completing half. One teacher has used the curriculum at least twice.

Per Dr. Allison Tsuchida, 13 schools are currently utilizing the curriculum. Data showed improvements in pre and post scores by 14.5%; current target is 80%. Dr. Tsuchida and staff have reached out to teachers and administrators to recruit potential users. Program fliers have also been sent to homeschool groups.

Project HNS will partner with DOH-Neurotrauma Program and participate in the Children's & Youth Day virtual event on October 4, 2020. The virtual booth will feature the lower elementary curriculum and visitors will be able to register to have access to the curriculum.

B. TBI Updates from around the State:

• **Kauai:**

- Board Member Rita Manriquez suggested Project HNS reach out to Ele'ele School and speak to the new principal about the project.
- Chair Scott Sagum continues to conduct Surfers Myelopathy Classes.

• **Oahu:**

- The next Hui Malama Po'o zoom meeting is on September 23, 2020. Topic will be "Yarn Lei Making." Please contact Tom if materials are needed; delivery is available.
- Newly-hired QMC staffs will be attending trauma training classes conducted by Board Member Brendalee Ana
- For more information on the Habilitat Halloween and drive-by haunted house/trick-or-treating, please contact Lisa Dau.
- Nick Schumann of QMC announced they are in the process of finalizing a TBI talk to launch in early or mid-November. The talk show will feature experts on TBI.
- Dr. Violet Horvath of PDC has completed HNTR data entry, gave a presentation on Friday on advocating for persons with

disabilities and is scheduled to do a webinar for Saint Francis Medical Center on September 30.

C. Brain Injury Association (BIA) of Hawaii Update:

BIA Hawaii is currently undergoing a reorganization. According to President Dorothy Ali'ilua, two new members will be joining the board and BIA is planning a fundraising event. Ms. Ali'ilua welcome suggestions on ways to connect with others via Zoom (video conferencing). Board Member Valerie Yamada advise to contact Assisted Technology Resource Center for equipment and training.

D. DOH Update:

To commemorate Spinal Cord Injury (SCI) awareness month in September, Neurotrauma Program will feature tips on SCI health and water safety, a PowerPoint game, activities, and resources on the Neurotrauma website. Once approved, a press release will be written, and information will be emailed to the Neurotrauma listserv.

To accomplish Strategic Plan FY 21-23 goals and objectives, three subcommittees have been formed. Please contact the respective subcommittee person if you are interested in joining:

1. Survivor Subcommittee; to develop and implement effective ways to share resources with survivors and to increase access to services

Contact Michele Tong at michele.tong@doh.hawaii.gov

2. Public Education and Provider Subcommittee; focus on provider/patient experience and implement a Return to Learn for school setting
Contact Christel Magallanes [at christel.magallanes@doh.hawaii.gov](mailto:christel.magallanes@doh.hawaii.gov)

3. Data Subcommittee; explore ways to collect data for the Neurotrauma (NT) registry, how it relates to the NT population, and whether efforts are making a difference
Contact Chelsea Ko at chelsea.ko@doh.hawaii.gov

Please note, per State ethics guidelines, Neurotrauma Program is not allowed to contract with an agency that a subcommittee member represents. For further clarifications, please contact Ms. Ko.

VI. Announcements:

none

VII. Next STBIAB Meeting:

Date: November 10, 2020

Time: 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm

Via Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/575890360>

VIII. 2021 Meeting Date

January 12, March 9, May 11, July 13, September 14, November 9

Meeting Adjourned at 2:45pm